

IN THE CLAIMS

Please replace Claims 9-15 as shown below:

Sub B² 7 9. (Once Amended) In a data service system of a data access network system having a content server that stores content files for access by external access requests, a method of maintaining the content server at safe load conditions, comprising:

A2 determining load condition of the content server when the data service system receives an access request to access one of the content files stored in the content server;

if the content server is determined to be in an overload condition, then modifying the access request to access the corresponding content file in an adapted content format which is less resource-intensive to serve than the same file in a full content format such that the content server is maintained at the safe load conditions.

2 A 10. (Once Amended) The method of claim 9, further comprising modifying the access request to access the corresponding content file in a full content format when the content server is determined not to be in the overload condition.

11. (Once Amended) The method of claim 9, wherein the determining load condition further comprises:

obtaining the actual load condition of the content server using a load monitor;
and

comparing the actual load condition with a predetermined desired load condition to determine if the content server is in the overload condition.

12. (Once Amended) The method of claim 9, wherein the modifying the access request is performed by modifying the URL of the access request.

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13. (Once Amended) The method of claim 10, wherein the modifying the access request is performed by modifying the URL of the access request.

14. (Once Amended) The method of claim 9, further comprising directing the modified access request to access the corresponding content file in either the full content format of the adapted content format.

15. (Once Amended) The method of claim 9, wherein the determining load condition of the content server is performed either within the content server or external to the content server.
